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# Management







#### What is IPM?

- Planned program to prevent pests & disease vectors from causing unacceptable damage or injury to operations, people, property, or environment.
- "Use of all appropriate technology & management practices to bring about pest prevention and suppression in a cost-effective, environmentally sound manner" (AFPMB TG 29).

Pesticide use is NOT an option when non-chemical control methods are available.



#### **IPM Program Objectives**

#### AR 40-5, Chapter 10

- Provides prevention & control of pests that could cause major medical or economic harm.
- Protects personnel & the environment from the toxic effects of pesticides.
- Assures the preparedness of field units to prevent & control vector-borne disease.



#### Management v. Control

- Management: The reduction of pest populations to tolerable numbers.
  - changing practices
  - making habitat or structural alterations
  - → carefully using pesticides to kill pests only when indicated
- Control: A single principal measure taken to kill pests usually the application of pesticides.

Wood, G. (1992). *Urban Integrated Pest Management, A Guide for Commercial Applicators*. University of Maryland.



#### **Pest Control Practices**

Element	Old-Fashioned Control	IPM
Program Strategy	Reactive	Preventive
Customer Education	Minimal	Extensive
Potential Liability	High	Low
Emphasis	Routine pesticide application	Pesticide use when exclusion, sanitation, etc are inadequate
Inspection & Monitoring	Minimal	Extensive
Pesticide Application	By Schedule	By Need
Insecticides (indoors)	Sprays & Aerosols	Baits
Spray Insecticide Application	Surface treatment	Cracks & Crevices
Spraying & Fogging	Extensive	Minimal
Rodent Control	Emphasis = Rodenticide	Emphasis = trapping, sanitation, & exclusion
Bird Control	Emphasis = Avicide	Emphasis = exclusion

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#### **Components of IPM**

Communication & Cooperation among subsistence, medical, veterinary, & pest management consultant.

- ◆ Sanitation Emphasis
- Prevent Entry
- Harborage Reduction
- Early Detection
- ◆ Non-Chemical Controls

<u>Methodology</u>

**ID** infestations

Control with short-term solutions.

Reduce/Eliminate causes with long-term solutions.



#### The IPM Process

- Understand & Educate the Customer (facility occupants)
- Analyze the Pest Problem
- ◆ Take Short-Term, Corrective Action
- ◆ Implement Long-Term, Preventive Action
- Monitor, Document,
   & Evaluate Results
- ◆ Customer Feedback

Pest problems are not all alike.

**♦** Situational pest management requires understanding specific pest habits & preferences.



#### **IPM Tools for Pest Control**

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91% Baits
91% Glueboards & monitoring traps
79% Insect growth regulators
62% Caulking
50% Screening or "stuffing"
38% Fly control systems
30% Bird control devices
27% Vacuum cleaners
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Pest Control Magazine, 1995.

16% Others



#### **IPM Responsibilities**

#### Facility Managers (The Customer):

- Maintain sanitation standards to prevent pest access to & harborage in the facility.
- Consult with IMA for non-chemical controls.
- Notify facilities engineers to:
  - remove dead/trapped insects or rodents from traps
  - repair structural damage to deny pest entry



#### **Premises Pest Exclusion**

#### -- Applying Pest Management --

- ◆ Eliminate Harborage Conditions:
  - → remove cardboard boxes & wooden pallets
- ◆ Eliminate Structural Defects:
  - > caulk holes & cracks in walls and around door frames
- ◆ Repair/Replace Torn or Missing Window Screens:
  - → screens are > 16-mesh per inch
- Mechanical Air Curtain at Doors:
  - → air blows away from facility
  - → doors kept closed when not in use



#### **Stock Handling Practices**

#### -- Applying Pest Management --



#### Infested Foods & Supplies:

- Inspect incoming shipments received.
- → Rotate stock:
  - ✓ reduces potential of old product infestations
  - ✓ reduces spread of pests from infested products



#### **IPM Responsibilities**

#### Preventive Medicine:

- → Food Service Facilities: Sanitation inspections (TB MED 530 compliance).
- → Guidance for non-chemical pest control.
- → Assists with coordination for chemical pest control.

#### Veterinary Activity:

- **→ Evaluate food infestations.**
- → Evaluate pest damage or contamination of food packages.
- → Determines disposition of affected products.



#### **IPM Responsibilities**

#### Facilities Engineers:

- → Assist coordination with certified pest managers for chemical control.
- → Support facility work orders for structural defects.



# Identifying Pest Problems

Flies

Cockroaches

Moths

Birds

Beetles

Rodents



#### Cockroaches



- Prefer dark & damp spaces
- Harbor near boxes& pallets

#### ◆ Detection:

- → Will scatter from dark room when lights turned on.
- → Oily, musty odor
- → Droppings
  - Small, dark, spherical (1mm length)
  - Found in cracks & crevices near food



#### **Roach Controls**

- ♦ Small Roaches
  - → Sanitation
  - → Caulking Cracks & Crevices
  - → Baiting (should be standardized insecticide trmt)
  - → Spraying: Cracks & Crevices
  - → Sticky Traps
- ◆ Large Roaches
  - → Drying: Reduce Moisture
  - → Sealing Entry Points
  - → Housekeeping
  - → Baiting



#### **Flies**





- ◆ Garbage & Refuse:
  - → Containers covered when not in use
  - → Close dumpster doors
  - → Plastic liners in garbage cans
  - → Containers frequently cleaned & sanitized
  - → Trash bags tightly sealed before placement in dumpster
  - → Police spilled trash or garbage around dumpster ASAP.
- Sticky Fly Paper:
  - → authorized in Non-food areas
  - → prohibited in food prep, service, & dining areas
- Screens & Air Curtains
  - → 1/16th mesh
  - → air flow blows towards outside







#### **Rodents**

- ◆ Rats
  - → Dig burrows around foundation
  - → Attracted to debris & unsecured food (waste)
  - → Problems originate outside of building
- ◆ Mice
  - → Can enter building from outside; problems originate indoors
  - → Nest w/in 15 feet of food source
  - → Spread through a structure along pipes, cables, & ducts
  - → Raised flooring & Lowered ceilings provide harborage

Rats can squeeze through 1/2-inch gaps; Mice only need 1/4 inch



#### Signs of Rodent Infestation

- Droppings: cigar-shaped
  - → fresh = shiny & black
  - → old = pale brown & brittle
- ◆ Gnawing Marks: scalloped edges
  - package corners, electrical wiring, wood
- Rub Marks: unobstructed "runways"
  - → grease marks along pipes & walls
- ◆ Tracks:
  - → easily seen on dusty surfaces
  - → common near vertical surfaces





#### **Rodent Controls**

- ◆ Rats
  - → Secure garbage & trash
  - → Eliminate debris
  - → Eliminate building access
  - → Bait boxes
  - → Tracking powder
  - → Trapping

- ◆ Mice
  - → Seal entry points
  - → Cleaning & Housekeeping
  - → Rodenticides: NOT RECOMMENDED
  - → Trapping

**USACHPPM (USAEHA) TG-138**, Guide to Commensal Rodent Control http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/armydocs.asp?pub\_type=TG



#### **Birds**

## Pigeons, Starlings, & English Sparrows

- → Roost & nest on/in buildings
- → Excrement
- → Structural problems

#### **Controls**

- Consider effectiveness, minimal damage to structures, & public relations
- Shooting
- Toxic baits & perches
- Porcupine wire
- Repellent gels
- Electric wire
- Scaring devices
- Screening
- Tensioned netting
- Dangling filaments



#### **Moths & Beetles**

- Present as problems in dry-goods
  - → contaminate flour, oatmeal, rice, cereals, & grains
- Storage Control
  - → cool, dry: 50% humidity, 50° F
- Reporting
  - → contact Veterinary Activity for pest ID
- ◆ Controls
  - → Stock rotation
  - → Ventilation



#### Pesticide Use Guidance



- Minimal Use
  - → Only when problem exists.
  - → Repetitive treatment without regard for pest populations is ineffective & environmentally unsound.
- Least Toxic Treatment
  - → Consider Non-chemical alternatives First.
  - → Baseboard spraying & room fogging not effective for killing roaches.
  - → Insecticide baits preferable to sprays.
  - → Limit sprays to cracks & crevices.

### Only Applied by Certified Applicator



#### **Bottom Line...**

- Only a well implemented IPM program will control or prevent pest problems in your facility.
- ◆ Successful pest management comes from
  - **♦ communication**
  - cleaning & sanitation
  - building maintenance activities
  - outdoor maintenance activities
  - **→** monitoring



#### IPM Program Resources

- DoD Instruction 4150.7, DoD Pest Management Program, April 22, 1996.
  - → http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/html/41507.htm
- Armed Forces Pest Management Board
  - → http://www.afpmb.org/
- ◆ AFPMB Technical Guides
  - → http://www.afpmb.org/pubs/tims/tims.htm
  - → http://www.afpmb.org/pubs/tims/TG18/tg18.htm
  - → http://www.afpmb.org/pubs/tims/tim29.htm
  - → http://www.afpmb.org/pubs/tims/tim39.htm



#### **SUMMARY**

- ◆ Defined IPM
- ◆ IPM Program Objectives
- ◆ IPM Components & Process
- ◆ Individual IPM Responsibilities
- ◆ Identifying Pest Problesm
- ◆ Pest Control Measures
- ◆ Pesticide Use Guidance
- ◆ IPM Program Resources











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